

## Message Text

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AMEMBASSY ATHENS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BBSR, SA

SUBJ: FOLLOW-UP ON E/AIS SURVEY

REF: (A) STATE 0085, (B) 77A-4335

1. IN REPLY TO REPAIR THE EMBASSY SUBMITS ANSWERS TO  
QUESTIONS POSED KEYED TO NUMERICAL ORDER IN REF B.

(A) MISSION DEFINITELY INTERESTED IN HAVING INITIAL  
E/AIS UNITS INSTALLED HERE.

(B) POST HAS SPACE IN COMMERCIAL CENTER WHICH IS ACROSS  
STREET FROM EMBASSY. A JUNIOR OFFICER AND AN FSL 3 WOULD  
BE DESIGNATED TO SUPERVISE AND OPERATE THE SERVICE TO  
RESPOND TO THE MOUNTING NUMBER AND OF INQUIRIES BEING  
RECEIVED ABOUT SOURCES OF U.S. GOODS. POST COULD ALSO  
SERVE INQUIREIES FROM SONSTITUENTS AT DHAHRAN AND RIYADH.

C) COMMERCIAL CENTER IS OPENLY ACCESSIBLE TO LOCAL  
BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND THOUGH PROXIMATE TO IS NOT  
SECURITY CONTROLLED BY THE EMBASSY PROPER EXCEPT ON  
AS AD HOC BASIS. BUSINESSMEN HAVE UNTRAMMELED ACCESS.  
COMMERCIAL CENTER IS MOVING NORTHWARDS AND WE ENVISAGE  
THAT EMBASSY AREA WILL EVENTUALLY BE IN CENTER OF AN  
EXPANDED JIDDA. IN PAST 12 MONTHS THE CENTER HAS HAD  
1457 VISITORS AND 4691 TELEPHONE INQUIRIES. COMMERCIAL  
INQUIRIES FROM LOCAL FIRMS TOTALED 1512. INNUMERABLE  
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REQUESTS FROM THE 310 U.S. FIRM BASED IN SAUDI ARABIA  
HAVE NOT BEEN TALLIED.

D) THERE ARE NO COMPARABLE SERVICES IN ALL SAUDI  
ARABIA AND WE DOUBT IN THE AREA.

E) IF AN E/AIS INSTALLATION NOT POSSIBLE FOR JIDDA  
THE NEAREST EFFECTIVE LOCATION FROM POINT OF VIEW OF  
COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES WOULD BE KUWAIT OR ATHENS.

TELEX FACILITIES MUST BE AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, WE FEEL  
THAT INSTALLATION OF EXCLUSIVE SERVICES AT JIDDA IS  
JUSTIFIED.

F) IF NOT CHOSEN, POST WOULD DEFINITELY LIKE TO  
RECEIVE REGULARLY PUBLICATIONS OF INDEX OF VENDUORS  
AND PRODUCTS.  
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